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Director of Central Intelligence

Meeting with Office of Communications Management Advisory Group

3 May 1978

What should it be?

AGENDA

- TOPIC I Future of Office of Communications (30 minutes)
- TOPIC II Reasons for Filling the Positions of Director
and Deputy Director with Persons from Outside
the Agency (10 minutes)
- TOPIC III Dissemination of Management Studies and
MAG Recommendations (10 minutes)

1. Purpose - 1. alert DCI to special OC problems.
 2. suggest specific charges/ideas
for DCI action - relating to
any CIA area.
- Imagination/Innovation -

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TOPIC I

FUTURE OF OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

RECOMMENDATION: Provide us with your perception on the role of OC in the above-areas. *Not purpose of meeting -*

BENEFITS : Provide a significant reduction in the duplication of effort in the communication handling field. *How?*

Provide for more cost effective management of information handling. *How? Be specific - suggestions?*

Assist OC management in long range planning and alleviate concerns among OC careerists. *How?*

COST : None

TOPIC II

REASONS FOR FILLING THE POSITIONS OF DIRECTOR

AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH PERSONS FROM OUTSIDE

THE AGENCY

- ISSUE : Agency employees lack an awareness and understanding as to why the positions of Director and Deputy Director are filled from outside the Agency. *Why not? Traditionally political appointees*
- RECOMMENDATION: You should inform the employees on the reasons and advantages of having the above referenced positions filled from outside the Agency.
- BENEFITS : This recommendation provides an opportunity for Agency managers and employees to better understand the system and may tend to improve overall Agency morale.
- COST : Time would be spent by top management in explaining the process and benefits to the Agency employees.

*Again - not purpose of meeting -
Heads of all major depts + agencies
are political appointees - want to
change Spoils system? Why?*

TOPIC III

DISSEMINATION OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES AND MAG RECOMMENDATIONS

ISSUE : Limited exchange of recommendations and management studies among Agency MAGs. *Too limited or not limited enough?*

RECOMMENDATION: Publish and circulate management studies and MAG recommendations among MAG groups in the Agency.

BENEFITS : MAGs would be more informed about Agency-wide concerns.

Duplications of time and effort could be reduced.

Component MAG recommendations would tend to be less parochial.

It reinforces the existence of MAG Newsletter.

COST : Time, energy and money would be spent publishing, disseminating and reviewing MAG material.

- *Del MAG now putting out letter -*
- *Need Del to do this?*
- Can't MAG chairmen communicate
w one another?*